3. The method according to claim 2, wherein the metallicpalladium material in the vapor is obtained by heating metallic palladium to 1500-1700 degrees Centigrade.

- 4. The method according to claim 3, wherein the heating of the metallic palladium does not form a reaction product.
- 5. In a method using ion beams of a material in a vapor for separating isotopes of at least a constituent of the material, the improvement wherein the material is metallic palladium.
- 6. The method according to claim 5, wherein the metallic palladium material in the vapor is obtained by heating metallic palladium to 1500-1700 degrees Centigrade.
- 7. The method according to claim 6, wherein the heating of the metallic palladium does not form a reaction product.

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